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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided on the Question paper. If additional space is required, you should use the pages at the end of this booklet. The question number must be shown clearly.

### Section A

Answer all questions.

### Section B

Answer one question.

A Data Booklet is provided.

The use of an approved scientific calculator is expected, where appropriate.

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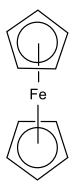
### Section A

Answer all the questions in this section.

The transition metals such as iron and rhodium are known for their catalytic activity. The reaction between  $S_2O_8{}^{2-}$  ions and  $I^-$  ions is very slow. If a small amount of aqueous iron(II) ions is added to the mixture, the rate of reaction increases. Write the electronic configuration for iron(II) ions. (i) [1] Explain why the reaction between  $S_2O_8^{2-}$  ions and  $I^-$  ions is very slow. [1] Explain why the iron(II) ions can be described as a homogeneous catalyst. [2] State the property, typical of transition metals, which allows iron(II) ions to behave as a catalyst in this reaction. Include relevant chemical equations to support your answer. [3]

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**(b)** Ferrocene is a highly stable compound in which the iron(II) ion is located between two cyclopentadienyl anion rings. Studies have shown that the carbon–iron bonding in ferrocene is capable of free rotation.



Ferrocene

(i) Suggest an alternative structure of ferrocene.

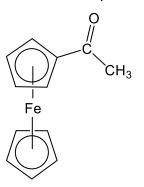
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The methylene hydrogen atoms shown in cyclopentadiene below are acidic. Cyclopentadiene can dissociate a proton to form the cyclopentadienyl anion.

### cyclopentadiene

- (ii) Write an expression for the acid dissociation constant,  $K_a$ , for cyclopentadiene. [1]
- (iii) Suggest the number of delocalised  $\pi$  electrons in the cyclopentadienyl anion. [1]
- (iv) Similar to benzene, ferrocene undergoes electrophilic substitution with acetic anhydride and phosphoric acid to form the compound **W**.



compound W

The steps of the mechanism are as described.

Step 1: Acetic anhydride and phosphoric acid react to form the acylium ion.

$$CH_3 C C C CH_3 + H_3PO_4 \longrightarrow CH_3 C CH_3 + O=C^{\dagger}CH_3 + H_2PO_4$$

Acetic Anhydride

Acylium ion

Step 2: Addition of the acylium ion to one of the carbon atoms on the cyclopentadienyl *anion* ring in ferrocene forms an intermediate.

Step 3: Loss of a proton from the intermediate to form **W**.

Suggest the mechanism for steps 2 and 3. Show all charges and relevant lone pairs and show the movement of electron pairs by using curly arrows. [2]

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(c) Hydrogenation of alkenes can be catalysed by the rhodium (Rh)-containing catalyst, Wilkinson's catalyst, RhL<sub>3</sub>Cl, where L is the triphenylphosphine ligand.

triphenylphosphine

(i) Explain using bonding why triphenylphosphine is insoluble in water.

[2]

The following steps take place when Wilkinson's catalyst is used to carry out the hydrogenation of ethene. Hydrogen is reduced to hydride in step 1.

Step 2: 
$$H$$

$$L_{III}$$

$$Rh \longrightarrow H$$

$$L_{III}$$

$$Rh \longrightarrow H + L$$

Step 3: 
$$\begin{array}{c|c} H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2 \\ \hline \\ L_{////} Rh \longrightarrow H + H_2C \longrightarrow CH_2 \\ \hline \\ CI \end{array}$$

Step 5: 
$$CI$$
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 
 $Rh$ 
 $CH_2$ 
 $Rh$ 
 $CI + CH_3$ 
 $Rh$ 
 $CI + CH_3$ 

With consideration of the oxidation state at the Rh metal centre,

- (ii) identify the step which involves an oxidative addition.
- (iii) identify the step which involves a reductive elimination. [1]
- (iv) Step 4 of the reaction is the rate-determining step.

Suggest why the rate of reaction is slower when 2,3-dimethylbut-2-ene is used in place of ethene. [1]



2,3-dimethylbut-2-ene

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(d) Triphenylphosphine, PPh<sub>3</sub>, is used as nucleophile in the Wittig reaction.

In the Wittig reaction, a carbonyl compound reacts with a halogenoalkane to form an alkene. The conversion is shown in the following unbalanced equation.

$$R_1$$
  $R_2$  +  $R_3$ - $CH_2$ Br  $R_3$   $R_2$   $R_3$   $R_4$   $R_5$   $R_4$   $R_5$   $R_5$   $R_6$   $R_7$   $R_8$ 

Suggest a three-step synthesis involving the Wittig reaction to convert cyclohexene to compound  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

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- (b) An important property of an aerosol propellant is that it should be a gas at room temperature and pressure.
  - (i) State three assumptions of the kinetic theory as applied to an ideal gas. [3]
  - (ii) Fig. 2.1 illustrates the behaviour of 1 mol of ideal gas as well as 1 mol of CH₃OCH₃ at 293 K.

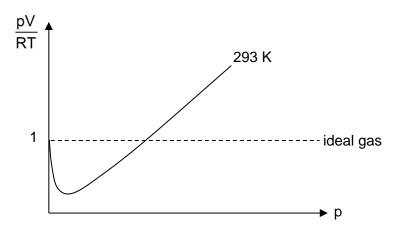


Fig 2.1

On the same axes in Fig. 2.1, sketch and label the graph for 1 mol of CH<sub>3</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub> at 550 K. Explain your answer. [2]

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(c) Aerosol sprays containing copper(II) ions were used near a well. Copper(II) hydroxide deposits was observed in the well water.

The value of the solubility product,  $K_{sp}$ , of copper(II) hydroxide is 1.80 x 10<sup>-19</sup> at 25°C.

The MCL is the maximum concentration of a contaminant in drinking water beyond which the water is not safe for consumption. The MCL for copper(II) ions is 1.3 mg dm<sup>-3</sup>.

Determine if a water sample found in the well whose pH was found to be 7.75, is safe for consumption.

[2]

(d) Calcium fluoride is a component of aerosol spray and aids in the treatment of muscular tension and torn ligaments.

The data in Table 2.1 will be useful in this question.

Table 2.1

Lattice energy of CaF <sub>2</sub> (s) / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	-2640
Standard Gibbs free energy of solution of CaF <sub>2</sub> (s) / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	+64.4
Standard enthalpy change of hydration of Ca <sup>2+</sup> (g) / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	-1579
Standard enthalpy change of hydration of F <sup>-</sup> (g) / kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	-524

(i)	Define the term standard enthalpy change of solution, $\Delta H^{e}_{solution}$ , of CaF <sub>2</sub> . [1]	
(ii)	Construct a labelled energy cycle to calculate the standard enthalpy change of solution of $CaF_2$ . [2]	
(iii)	Hence, calculate the standard entropy change of solution, $\Delta S^{e}_{solution}$ , of CaF <sub>2</sub> . [1]	
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- 3 This question is about nitrogen compounds and its reactions.
  - (a) Nitric acid, HNO<sub>3</sub>, is used as the main reagent for nitrating aromatic compounds such as benzene, phenylamine and phenol.

The table below shows the different conditions used for the mononitration of benzene, phenylamine and phenol.

	benzene	phenylamine	phenol
Reagents	mixture of concentrated HNO <sub>3</sub> and concentrated H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	dilute HNO₃	dilute HNO₃
Temperature / °C	60	20	40

(i)	Explain the need for concentrated H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> in the nitration of benzene,	but not for
	phenylamine and phenol.	[2]

(ii)	With reference to the data in the table above, comment on the difference in rea	ctivity
	between phenylamine and phenol towards nitration.	[2]

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**(b)** Histidine is a naturally occurring amino acid which is used for repairing damaged tissues and making blood cells.

The structure of the histidine is shown below.

The 2 nitrogen atoms in the ring are sp<sup>2</sup> hybridised.

- (i) Explain why nitrogen atom  $N_b$  does not have a p $K_b$  value. [1]
- (ii) The p $K_b$  value for nitrogen atom  $N_a$  is 8.0.

In terms of hybridisation of nitrogen atom, explain why $N_{\text{a}}$ is more basic than $N_{\text{b}}$ .	[1]
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(c) The fully protonated form of histidine, HisH<sup>+</sup>, can be synthesised from the reaction scheme below.

- (i) Different stereoisomers have different biological properties towards enzymes.

  It was found that only 25% of compound **C** could be converted to **D** by the enzyme dehydratase in step 1. Suggest an explanation for this observation. [2]
- (ii) A student attempted to convert compound **D** to enantiomer **E** without the use of enzymes and proposed the following sequence of reactions.

**D** and **E** are represented by their simplified structures below.

LiAlH<sub>4</sub> in dry ether 
$$R_1$$
  $R_2$   $R_3$   $R_4$   $R_4$   $R_5$   $R_5$   $R_6$   $R_7$   $R_8$   $R_8$   $R_8$   $R_8$   $R_8$   $R_8$   $R_9$   $R_9$ 

By considering the stereochemical outcome of each step, explain why each of the following steps is **not** suitable to produce a good yield of enantiomer **E**. [2]

• Step 2a

HisH<sup>1</sup>

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• Step 2c

[Given that Step 2c follows a second order kinetics reaction]

(iii)  $HPO_4^{2-}$  is obtained as a side product of step 3.

Suggest the type of reaction for step 3.

[1]

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- (iv) State the reagent and condition needed to convert **F** to HisH<sup>+</sup> in step 4. [1]
- (v) The p $K_a$  values for the fully protonated form of histidine, HisH $^+$ , are shown below.

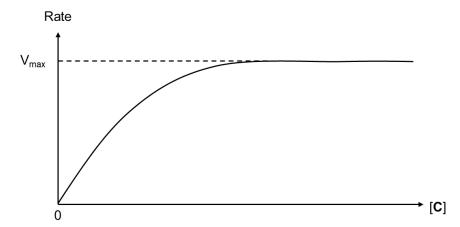
$$pK_a = 1.7$$

$$pK_a = 9.1$$

$$pK_a = 6.0$$

After step 4, HisH<sup>+</sup> is extracted, purified and transferred into a buffer solution at pH 7.55 for storage.

	[1]	Draw the structure of the predominant species of histidine at this pH.
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(i) Explain fully the shape of the graph with respect to the order of reaction at low, moderate and high concentration of **C**. [3]

The Michaelis-Menten equation is used to analyse the kinetics of an enzyme-catalysed reaction. At low concentration of  ${\bf C}$ , the equation simplifies to:

Rate = 
$$\frac{V_{\text{max}}}{K_{\text{M}}} \times [\mathbf{C}]$$

where  $K_M$  is the Michaelis constant.

Under certain conditions, the  $K_M$  is 2.60 × 10<sup>-5</sup> mol dm<sup>-3</sup> and  $V_{max}$  is 10.4 mol dm<sup>-3</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> for step 1.

(ii)	Using your answer in (d)(i) at low concentration of C, determine a value for t	he rate
	constant, <i>k</i> and hence the value of the half-life for step 1.	[2

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### **Section B**

Answer **one** question from this section.

4 Chalcopyrite, CuFeS<sub>2</sub> and similar sulfide ores are the most common ores of copper. The ores typically contain low percentages of copper and have to be concentrated before refining.

In the extraction of copper, the mineral is smelted by heating with air. The equation for this reaction is as follows.

$$8 \text{CuFeS}_2 + 21 \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 8 \text{Cu} + 4 \text{FeO} + 2 \text{Fe}_2 \text{O}_3 + 16 \text{SO}_2$$

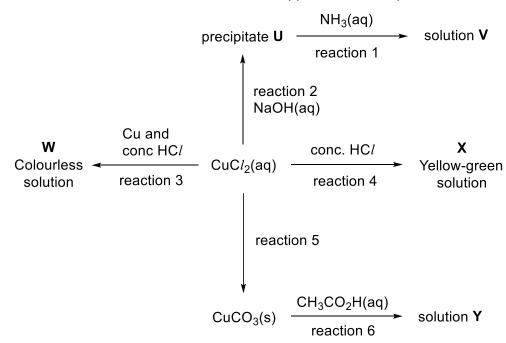
(a)	of copper in the rock, calculate the percentage by mass of copper in the sample.	urce [1]

(b)	The copper obtained during the smelting process may contain impurities such as zinc and
	silver. It is then refined using electrolysis.

Draw a well-labelled set-up for the electrolysis process and explain, using relevant data from the <i>Data Booklet</i> , how each of the two impurity metals is removed from the copper.  [4]

Copper is a transition element and it can form many complexes.

(c) The reaction scheme shows some reactions of copper and its compounds.



- (i) Write the formulae of U, V, W and X. [2]
- (ii) Identify a suitable reagent for reaction 5. [1]
- (iii) Write the equation for reaction 6. [1]

(d) Copper can form complexes with the ligands ammonia and ethane-1,2-diamine (en), H<sub>2</sub>NCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, as shown below.

### equilibrium 1

$$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq) + en(aq) \;\; \Longrightarrow \;\; [Cu(H_2O)_4(en)]^{2+}(aq) + 2H_2O(I)$$

$$K_{\text{stab}} = 3.98 \times 10^{10}$$

### equilibrium 2

$$[Cu(H_2O)_6]^{2+}(aq) + 2NH_3(aq) \implies [Cu(H_2O)_4(NH_3)_2]^{2+}(aq) + 2H_2O(I)$$

$$K_{\text{stab}} = 5.01 \times 10^7$$

- (i) Write an expression for the equilibrium constant,  $K_{\text{stab}}$ , for equilibrium 2. State its units. [1]
- (ii) The standard entropy change,  $\Delta S^e$ , for equilibrium 1 is + 23 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup> and for equilibrium 2 is 8.4 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>. Suggest an explanation for this difference by reference to both equilibria.
- (iii) Of the three copper complexes in equilibria 1 and 2, state the formula of the copper complex that is the most stable and explain your choice. [1]

- (e) Transition element complexes can exhibit stereoisomerism.
  - (i) Name the type of isomerism exhibited by  $[Cu(H_2O)_4(NH_3)_2]^{2+}$  and draw the three-dimensional diagrams of the two isomers. [2]

The diagram below shows the complexes present in human and spider blood.

Animal	Complex ion	Colour of blood
Human	N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N	Red
Spider	NH N	Blue

(ii)	human blood is red.	, why the colour of spider blood is blue while [2]


(f) An important compound of copper is copper(I) iodide which is used to prepare the Gilman reagent.

This reagent undergoes  $S_N 2$  reaction with primary halogenoalkanes to form the intermediate in Step 1. This synthetic method can be used to prepare unsymmetrical alkanes as shown below.

- (i) Describe the mechanism for the formation of the intermediate. [2]
- (ii) Predict the product formed when Br reacts with [1]

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- 5 Use of the Data booklet is relevant to this question
  - Nickel is a transition element with a variety of uses.
    - Explain what is meant by the term transition element. (i)
    - Explain why the first ionisation energies of first row transition elements are relatively (ii) invariant. [2]

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(iii) Suggest why the melting point of nickel is significantly higher than the melting point of calcium. [2]

**(b)** Nickel-Metal hydride (Ni-MH) battery is a rechargeable battery that has a cathode made up of NiO(OH) and an anode made up of hydrogen absorbed within a metal alloy represented as MH.

When the battery discharges, solid metal alloy, M, is formed at the anode and solid nickel (II) hydroxide, Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub> is formed at the cathode. The electrolyte is potassium hydroxide. The standard reduction potential of MH/M is -0.83V.

- (i) Construct an equation, including state symbols, for the reactions at the cathode and anode. [2]
- (ii) The cell is capable of producing an e.m.f of 1.32 V.

	Suggest a value for the standard reduction potential of NiO(OH)/Ni(OH) <sub>2</sub> .	[1]
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- (c) Nickel can form complexes.
  - (i) Suggest a reason for the difference between the following redox potentials. [1]

$$Ni^{2+} + 2e \rightleftharpoons Ni$$

$$E^{\circ} = -0.25 \text{ V}$$

$$[Ni(NH_3)_6]^{2+} + 2e \rightleftharpoons Ni + 6NH_3$$

$$E^{\oplus} = -0.51 \text{ V}$$

Nickel forms many complexes in which the central atom is surrounded by four ligands.

The complex X, [Ni(R<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub>], exists as two isomers, one of which has a net dipole moment.

The complex Y,  $[Ni(R_3P)_2Cl_2]$ , exists as only one structure.

[R<sub>3</sub>P is a monodentate ligand where R is CH<sub>3</sub>]

(ii)	Draw the structure of <b>Y</b> and the two isomers of <b>X</b> . Label your diagrams clearly.	

**(d)** Nickel is a useful catalyst for many organic reactions.

Hydrocyanation synthesizes alkyl nitriles from alkenes using nickel phosphite complexes as catalyst.

nickel phosphite catalyst 
$$RCH=CH_2 + HCN \longrightarrow RCH_2CH_2CN$$
 alkyl nitrile

Butenone undergoes the following synthesis via an alkyl nitrile **B** to form neutral **F**.

- (i) Draw the structures of **A**, **B** and **C** and describe the reagent and conditions needed for steps **I**, **II** and **III**. [6]
- (ii) The equation below shows the combustion of butenone.

$$a CH_3COCHCH_2 + b O_2 \rightarrow c CO_2 + d H_2O$$

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Suggest values for the coefficients a, b, c and d.

(iii) Use appropriate data from the *Data Booklet* to calculate the enthalpy change of combustion of butenone. [2]

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